

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C.

ORDER NO. 2778

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served October 28, 1985

Application of DSR INTERNATIONAL,)
INC., for Special Authorization to)
Conduct Charter Operations Pursuant)
to Contract with the United States)
Department of Health and Human)
Service)

Case No. CP-85-14

By application filed October 24, 1985, DSR International, Inc. ("DSR" or "applicant"), seeks authority pursuant to WMATC Special Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 1 to transport employees of the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service ("PHS") along with others on official business with PHS, together with mail, baggage and express in the same vehicles as passengers, in charter operations pursuant to a contract with PHS.

The service under consideration here involves a modification of a contract between these same parties. See Order No. 2758, served September 4, 1985, in Case No. CP-85-10, which is incorporated herein by reference. That decision resulted in Authorization No. SP-115-04 being issued to DSR. The service proposed here both adds to the service already authorized and provides for changes in service as PHS relocates some of its employees.

This contract provides for Route 3, a new scheduled shuttle service between PHS offices at Federal Center Building No. 2 (3700 East-West Highway, Hyattsville, Md.) and the Brookland Metro Station (Michigan Avenue, N.E., Washington, D.C.). It calls for eleven trips in each direction Monday through Friday, excluding federal holidays. The service would begin on November 25, 1985.

As PHS relocates employees, this contract provides for changes in the service covered by authorization No. SP-115-04. Effective December 1, 1985, a stop at 7520 Standish Place, Rockville, Md., will be added to Route 1. That route will continue to include stops at NBOC and White Flint Metro through January 10, 1986. Effective January 13, 1986, the stops at NBOC and White Flint Metro will be eliminated. As required by employee relocation the contract provides for additional stops at the HHS North Building (330 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C.) and the Humphrey Building (200 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C.).

As with the underlying contract, this modification continues to September 30, 1986, and provides for 4 one-year options to extend service. In addition to the 15-passenger vehicles already devoted to service under Authorization No. SP-115-04, applicant has ordered two more 15-passenger vehicles scheduled for delivery the week of October 28, 1985.

Applicant is experienced in employee shuttle transportation and has made the required sworn representations regarding fitness. The contracting officer for PHS has submitted the required notarized statement indicating, among other things, that approximately 8,000 persons will be transported during the initial contract period and that PHS has determined that DSR is responsible and able to fulfill the contract. We note that DSR already has on file with the Commission an appropriate certificate of insurance.

Inasmuch as a contract has been executed for the transportation of employees pursuant to contract with their employer between points within the Metropolitan District for a period in excess of 181 days, the application appears amenable to processing under Commission Regulation No. 70. See order No. 2004, served June 20, 1979. Consequently, notice of this application must be published and opportunity given for the filing of protests. Protests, if any, must be written, sworn, and notarized, and must contain all evidence and argument upon which the protestant would rely.

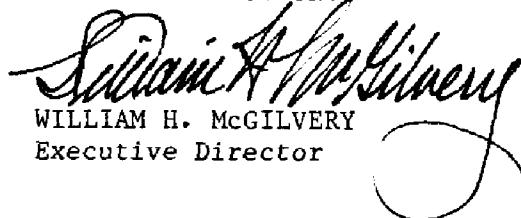
THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That DSR International, Inc., publish once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District notice of this application in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission no later than Friday, November 1, 1985.

2. That applicant shall file an affidavit of such publication with the Commission no later than Tuesday, November 12, 1985.

3. That any person desiring to protest this application shall file a notarized protest in conformance with Commission Regulation No. 70-06 at the office of the Commission, Suite 316, 1625 I Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006, no later than Tuesday, November 12, 1985, and shall simultaneously serve a copy of such protest on applicant, Daniel Minchew, Vice President, DSR International, Inc., 910 Sixteenth Street, N.W., Suite 404, Washington, D.C. 20006.

FOR THE COMMISSION:


WILLIAM H. MCGILVERY
Executive Director